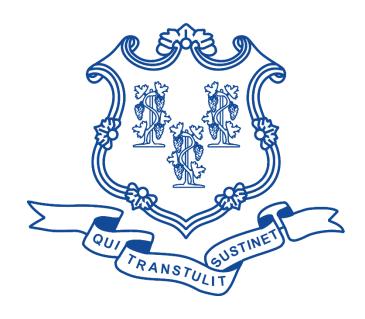
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# WebEOC User Guide for Municipality / Tribal Nation

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#### Introduction

WebEOC is a web-based emergency management information system used by the State of Connecticut to document routine and emergency events/incidents. Web EOC provides a real-time common operating picture and resource request management tool for emergency managers at the local and state levels during exercises, drills, local or regional emergencies, and/or statewide emergencies.

# **Training**

WebEOC trainings are listed on DEMHS training calendar on line, and distributed throughout regional offices www.ct.gov/demhs/ical/calendar.asp WebEOC trainings are typically held once a month, unless requested for large groups. Municipal/Tribal Nation Emergency Management Directors (EMDs) are ultimately responsible for delegating credentials for their respective staff.

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## REGISTERING A NEW USER/CREATING A NEW ACCOUNT

To complete self-registration, you will need the name of the position you will be assigned to, and the position access code (PAC).

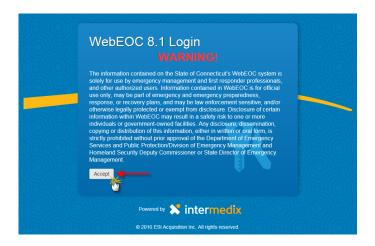
## Position Access Codes (PACs)

A PAC is a position-specific code that your administrator generates in WebEOC. This is an example of a PAC: R}e9oP5!.

## Creating a WebEOC User Account

To create a WebEOC user account, follow the steps below.

1. Access WebEOC here <a href="https://www.webeoc.ct.gov/eoc7">https://www.webeoc.ct.gov/eoc7</a>



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2. From the WebEOC Login screen, select the New User? Click here to create an account link.



- 3. When the Create Account screen appears, enter your position name in the Position Name field, and enter your position access code in the Position Access Code field.
- 4. Select the OK button to continue, or select the Cancel button to abort the operation.



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- 5. In the second Create Account screen, enter a user name for your new account in the User Name field.
  - \*NOTE: Utilize your first and last name with a space between them as a user name (ex: Bob Smith). If that user name is taken you may add a middle initial between your first and last name (ex: Bob J Smith).
- 6. Enter a password for this account in the Password field, and confirm the password in the Confirm Password field.

Note: If you reenter your password incorrectly, a warning will appear.

- 7. Enter your primary e-mail address in the Primary Email field.
- 8. Enter any additional e-mail addresses in the Secondary Email field, and select the Add button.

Note: There is no limit to the number of e-mail addresses you can enter. Repeat step 8 to enter additional e-mail addresses.

The following settings are set to a default selection. Do not make any changes:

- Select a language from the Language Locales box. English is selected by default
- Select a format from the Format Locales box. English is selected by default
- 11. The time zone defaults to the setting configured on your WebEOC server.
- 12. Select the Default drop-down list, and choose a new time zone.
- 13. If you chose a new time zone, select the Use Daylight Saving Time checkbox if your agency observes daylight savings time.

When you have completed the Create Account screen, select the Save button to save your new account, or select the Cancel button to abort the operation. You will be returned to the WebEOC Login screen.



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# **Logging in to Your New User Account**

To log in to your new user account, follow the steps below.

1. Access the State of Connecticut's WebEOC site.



- 2. In the WebEOC Login screen, enter your user name in the User Name field, and enter your password in the Password field.
- 3. Select the OK button.



4. Select your position from the Position drop-down list, and select your incident from the Incident drop-down list.

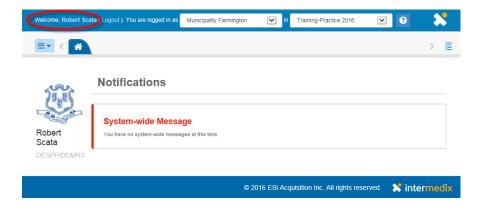


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5. Select the OK button to continue, or select the Cancel button to abort the operation.



The WebEOC Logged In screen will appear, and your WebEOC Control Panel will open in a separate window. In order to reduce the number of windows that you have open at a time, the Logged In window can be closed without logging you out of WebEOC. See the "WebEOC Control Panel User's Aid" for detailed instructions on your Control Panel.



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# **Forgot Your Username or Password?**

To retrieve your username or reset your password, follow the steps below.

- From the WebEOC Login screen, select the Forgot Username/Password? link.
- 2. Select the Retrieve Username or Reset Password link.



3. If you select the Reset Password link, enter your username and e-mail address in the fields provided, and select the Continue button.





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A message containing a link to reset your password will be sent to your e-mail account.





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5. Select the Continue button, and a message containing your username will be sent to your e-mail account.

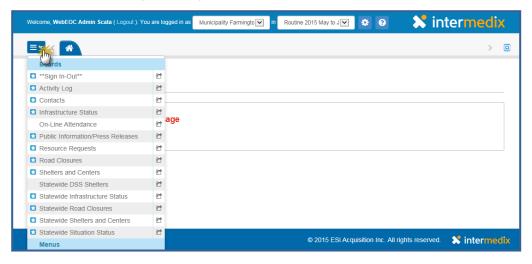


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# WebEOC Boards (Data Entry)

Suggested Standard Operating Procedures for all WebEOC Events:

- Log In
- General note: you will have "home" tab any tabs you left from your previous session should still be at the top
- By clicking on the drop-down menu on the top-left of the screen, you will see all of the available boards, menus, and links.



#### Update Municipality/Tribal Nation Information:

- Update the "Infrastructure Status" board for your municipality / tribal nation.
- Road Closures: add any road closures to the Road Closure Board.
- Shelters: update any open shelter information on the Shelters and Centers Board.
- Request Resources: Should you have a need to request another towns', regional, or state resource, submit your request in the Resource Request Board.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTES:**

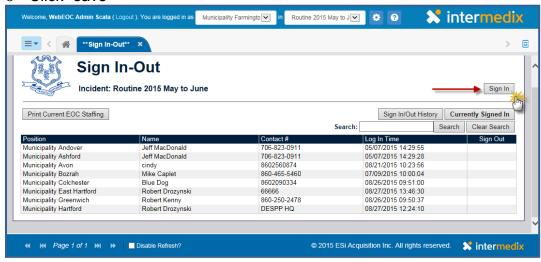
- Plus signs (+) in the right hand column, no longer open a new record for data entry. They will be removed during Intermedix's next WebEOC update.
- Be sure to click SAVE at the end of each data entry screen.
- Report numbers: On some boards, there is a unique identifying number for each entry in the dashboard view. This number is not sequential, but it identifies each unique report so that it is distinguished from other entries.

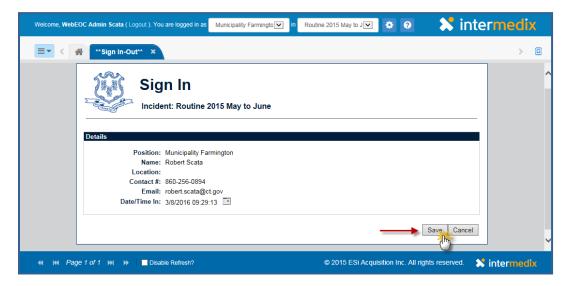
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# 1. Sign In-Out Board

Sign-In to WebEOC in the instance by navigating to the "Sign In-Out" board from the drop-down menu. When you are signed in to this board, all users in this instance will be able to view that you are actively working within WebEOC. It is very important to remember to sign-out at the end of your shift.

- Click on "Sign In"
- A screen will pop-up with your details
- Click "save"





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# 2. Activity Log Board

The Activity Log Board allows you to document actions taken by personnel in your position during each shift. It is an internal view board only. It allows your agency to track event names and details, event status, contact information, position and name of those reporting, maps of the area, and more.

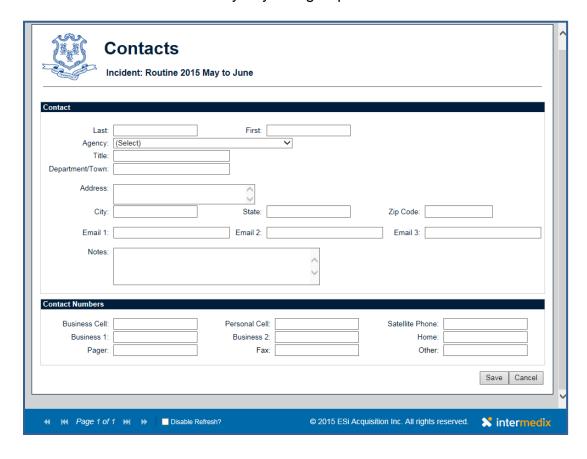
Any posting to this log can be shared on the "Statewide Situation Status" Board. To accomplish that, check the box labeled "Post to Statewide Situation Status" and click Save. The entry will be reviewed by the Duty Officer or other authorized SEOC MAC representative and posted as appropriate.



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#### 3. Contact List Board

The Contact List Board allows individuals to self-register their contact information to be included in this system-wide directory. Information that can be recorded for each contact includes: agency (or person) name; telephone, mobile, and pager numbers; physical and email addresses; special notes or comments for the contact; and more. All users are responsible for the accuracy of their own data as this board is not maintained by any one group.

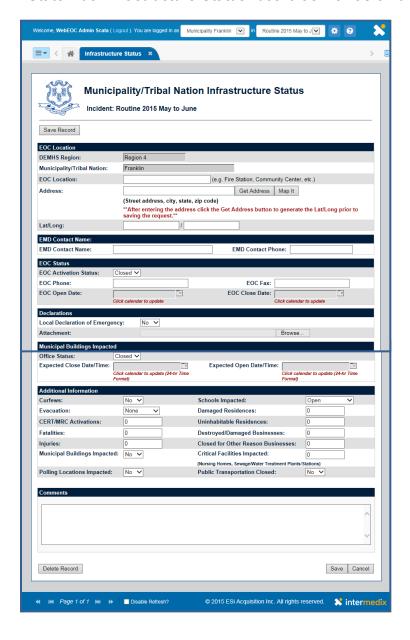


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#### 4. Infrastructure Status Board

This data-entry board feeds local status information into the "Statewide Infrastructure Status" board. This board displays the current status of every municipality's/tribal nation during an emergency event.

In order to update your status information, click on the "Update Record" button on the upper-right of the board. Fill in each applicable data block with the current applicable information. When completed, click the "Save" button on the bottomright of the board. This information will not be viewable to all users on the "Statewide Infrastructure Status" board as well as on this local view.



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# 5. Online Attendance Board

Displays users, by position name, which are currently logged into WebEOC.



## 6. Public Information/Press Releases Board

Any press releases, official forms, statute waivers, or other official statements from WebEOC users, are published on this board. To post a new document, click on "New Record" at the top-right of the board. Fill in each applicable data block with the appropriate description and click on the "Browse" button to attach a file from your local/shared computer drives. It is recommended to post documents in .PDF format.



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#### 7. Resource Request Board

The Resource Request Board allows users to document a resource request in WebEOC. This board can capture several types of resource requests:

- Record Only (Local Mutual Aid) this type of request is recorded after mutual aid has already been requested and delivered. It is used for documentation purposes only.
- 2. Regional Mutual Aid (e.g. REPT/RRCC)
- 3. State Resource Request (DEMHS Regional Office)
- 4. State Resource Request (Interagency)

Each request is automatically assigned a unique tracking number (non-sequential), and is displayed in a table that is able to be sorted by any of the column headings. Requestors can track the request through the entire process from request submission, to approval, fulfillment and delivery status. The system records the time and individual updating or editing the record.

# **Step-by-Step Guidance for documenting a State Resource Request**

In the event a user is requesting a resource, asset, or any other form of assistance from the State of Connecticut through their DEMHS Regional Office, the first step should always be to contact the appropriate DEMHS Regional Coordinator via standard communication methods (i.e. phone or pager).

- Municipality/Tribal Nation EMD or designee inputs resource request in the Resource Request Board
  - a. Select the "Resource Request Board" from the main menu
  - b. Click "New Record" in the upper-right of the board.



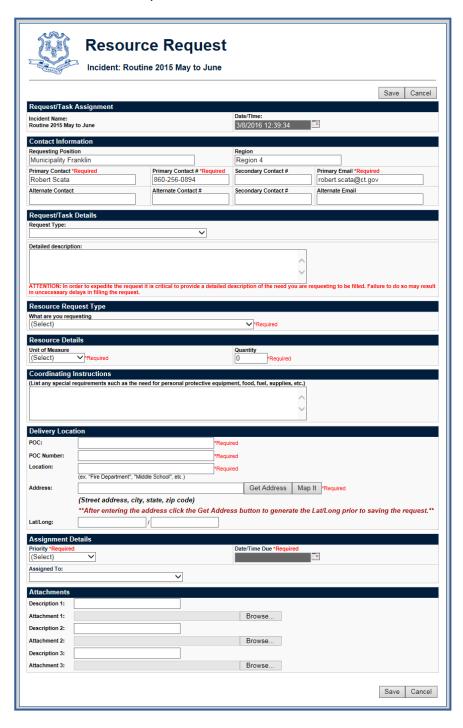
- NOTE: You will notice that the incident name and date/time stamp are pre-filled. The date/time should NOT be changed manually.
- c. Begin by filling out the contact information (some fields will be pre-filled for you)
- d. Fill out the "Request Task Details" box
  - i. Choose the "Request Type" from the drop-down menu (see 1-4 detailed above i.e. "record only", etc.)

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- e. NOTE: In order to expedite the request it is critical to provide a detailed description <u>of the need</u> you are requesting to be filled. Failure to do so may result in unnecessary delays in fulfilling the request.
- f. Select the "Resource Request Type" from the drop-down list, which includes the standard NIMS typing list of possible resources
  - Selecting "Commodities" will provide you with specific fields below, including food, water, cots and blankets, tarps, medical ice
    - 1. NOTE: The format of these fields mirrors the existing "Commodities Request Form"
- g. Fill out the "Coordinating Instructions" if you have specific requirements for the request which need to be detailed.
- h. Fill out the "Delivery Location" fields these are all required
- i. Fill out the "Assignment Details" fields.
  - i. By selecting "Priority", "Expedited", "Routine", or "Extended" levels, the "Date/Time Due" will automatically be calculated
- j. The requestor should be sure to select the "SEOC MAC Region 0X Office" from the "Assigned To" drop-down menu
- k. You may attach any supporting documentation (pictures or documents) in the "Attachments" fields.
- I. Click "Save" to submit the request
- m. NOTE: If requesting State resources, the CEO of the municipality/tribal nation, must have approved the request. The user must check this box to authenticate the request.
- 2. DEMHS Regional Coordinator or designee reviews the request
  - a. If additional data or clarification is necessary, the DEMHS Regional Coordinator will contact the municipality/tribal nation and request that clarification or additional data is added to their request on the WebEOC board. The DEMHS Regional Coordinator or their designee will note the request for clarification in the "Comments" field for recordkeeping purposes.
  - b. Once the request has adequate information, the Regional Coordinator (RC)will review for accuracy and eligibility and move the request to the next stage by changing the "Status" to "Need more Information" or leave as "In Progress" and add a comment explaining the change in status
  - c. The RC may assign the request to the appropriate resource manager or task force
- The SEOC Resource Manager will assign the request to the appropriate task force or department. If there is no SEOC Resource Manager on duty, the RC may also assign the request to the appropriate task force.
- 4. The task force or department may change the "Status" to "Need More Information", or "In Progress" or "Completed", and will add a note in the "Comment" field to detail the change in status.

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- 5. The status of the request may only be changed to "Cancelled" by the original requestor or the DEMHS Regional Office on their behalf. A note should be added to the "Comment" field to explain the cancellation.
- 6. The status of the request may only be changed to "Completed" by the entity that fulfills the request. A note should be added to the "Comment" field to explain the status change.
- 7. NOTE: Comments may only be added to the "Comment" field from the form screen - NOT from the "Update Record" screen.

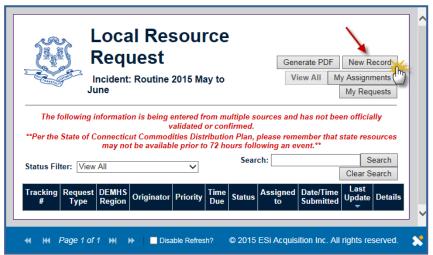


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# Step-by-Step Guidance for documenting Regional Mutual Aid (e.g. REPT/RRCC)

In the event a user is requesting a mutual aid resource, asset, or any other form of assistance from the Region (REPT/RRCC), the first step should always be to contact the appropriate regional liaison through standard communication methods (i.e. phone or pager) utilizing each Region's protocols.

- Municipality/Tribal Nation EMD or designee inputs resource request in the Resource Request Board
  - a. Select the "Resource Request Board" from the main menu
  - b. Click "New Record" in the upper-right of the board.
    - NOTE: You will notice that the incident name and date/time stamp are pre-filled. The date/time should NOT be changed manually.
  - c. Begin by filling out the contact information (some fields will be pre-filled for you)
  - d. Fill out the "Request Task Details" box
    - i. Choose the "Request Type" from the drop-down menu (see 1-4 detailed above i.e. "record only", etc.)



- e. NOTE: In order to expedite the request it is critical to provide a detailed description <u>of the need</u> you are requesting to be filled. Failure to do so may result in unnecessary delays in fulfilling the request.
- f. Select the "Resource Request Type" from the drop-down list, which includes the standard NIMS typing list of possible resources
  - Selecting "Commodities" will provide you with specific fields below, including food, water, cots and blankets, tarps, medical ice
    - 1. NOTE: The format of these fields mirrors the existing "Commodities Request Form"
- g. Fill out the "Coordinating Instructions" if you have specific requirements for the request which need to be detailed.

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- h. Fill out the "Delivery Location" fields these are all required
- i. Fill out the "Assignment Details" fields.
  - i. By selecting "Priority", "Expedited", "Routine", or "Extended" levels, the "Date/Time Due" will automatically be calculated
- j. The requestor should be sure to select the "SEOC MAC Region 0X Office" or the custodial/cooperating municipality/tribal nation in possession of the asset/resource from the "Assigned To" drop-down menu
  - i. NOTE: This will vary depending on operational procedures within your region.
- k. You may attach any supporting documentation (pictures or documents) in the "Attachments" fields.
- I. Click "Save" to submit the request
- 2. As per your Region's operational protocols, the custodial/cooperating municipality/tribal nation or REPT/RRCC liaison will review the request and follow existing procedures.
  - a. If additional data or clarification is necessary, the regional point of contact will contact the municipality/tribal nation and request that clarification or additional data is added to their request on the WebEOC board. The regional point of contact or their designee will note the request for clarification in the "Comments" field for recordkeeping purposes.
  - b. Once the request has adequate information, the regional point of contact will review for accuracy and eligibility and move the request to the next stage by changing the "Status" to "Need more Information" or leave as "In Progress" and add a comment explaining the change in status
  - c. The regional point of contact may assign the request to the appropriate resource manager or task force
- 3. The status of the request may only be changed to "Cancelled" by the original requestor or the regional point of contact on their behalf. A note should be added to the "Comment" field to explain the cancellation.
- 4. The status of the request may only be changed to "Completed" by the entity that fulfills the request. A note should be added to the "Comment" field to explain the status change.
- 5. NOTE: Comments may only be added to the "Comment" field from the form screen NOT from the "Update Record" screen.

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#### 8. Road Closures

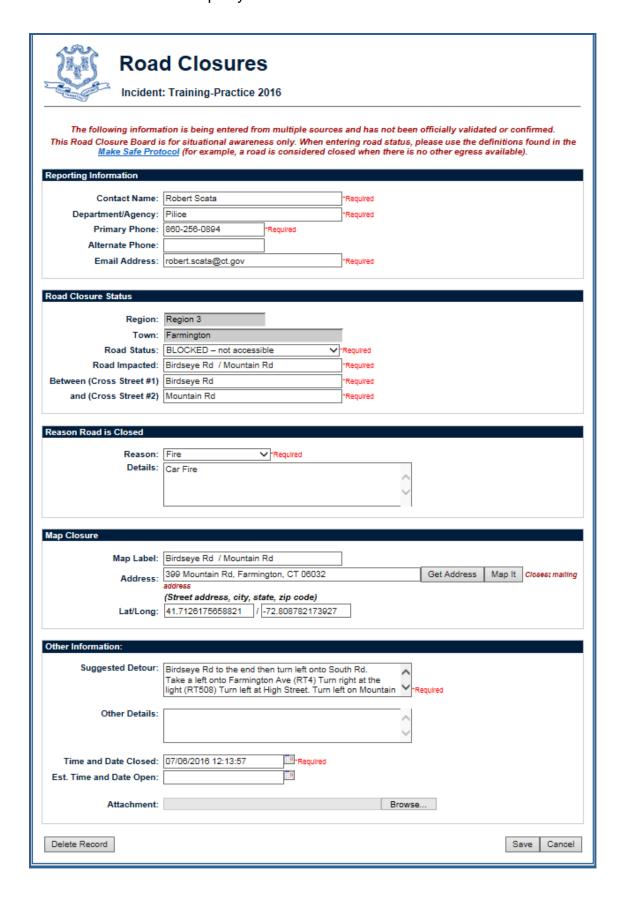
This board shows your reported road infrastructure status during an emergency event. The table can be sorted by any heading and the status update is a simple drop down menu choice. This board follows the definitions of road closures as detailed in the CT Make-Safe procedures.

To post a new road closure, click on "New Record" at the top-right of the board. Fill in each applicable data block with the appropriate description and click on the "Save" button on the bottom-right of the board to input.



NOTE: This data entry feeds a real-time status board (Statewide Road Closures). It is important that as the road status changes, you update the record submitted in WebEOC.

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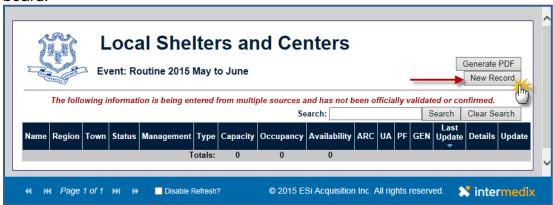


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#### 9. Shelters and Centers

This board shows the identified shelters and centers (i.e. warming, cooling, charging, respite, etc.) in your municipalities/tribal nations. This data entry feeds a real-time status board (Statewide Shelters and Centers) that remains static across all WebEOC incidents. It is critical that the current status of these shelters are updating on a regular basis.

To add a new shelter or center, click on "New Record" at the top-right of the board.



This board is critical to determining the Situation Status of the entire State. Officials rely on this data to prioritize and direct resources and assets where they are needed most. 211 Infoline and the American Red Cross also rely on this information when referring those in need of shelter and directing volunteer resources to support them. Therefore, it is critical that this board be updated at the local level, as accurately and timely as possible in an emergency or other event.

Good times to update this board are by 6 am every morning, and by 9 pm in the evenings. This allows State Officials to determine how many people are being served total and how many are actually sheltering overnight.

Red Cross or other designated Shelter Managers can be assigned a municipal login so that they may manage the shelter data for the municipality or multi-jurisdictional shelter.

Multi-Jurisdictional or community specific shelters, warming, cooling, or charging centers are listed on this board. This information is entered and updated by local communities and critical for the State EOC, 211 Connecticut and the American Red Cross to assist with providing public information and shelter population management during emergencies. See Appendix B.

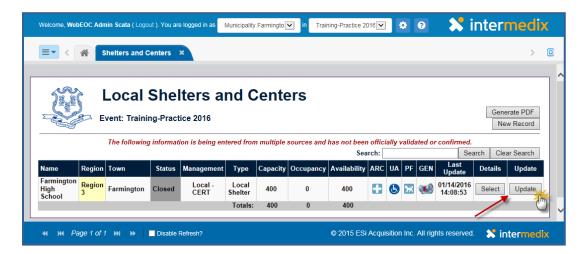
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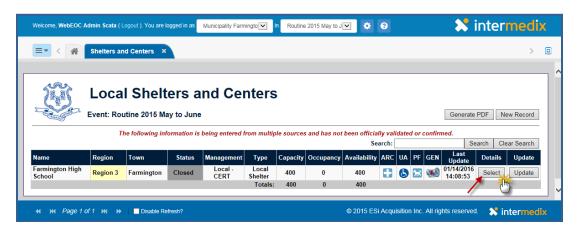
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Shelter Information						
	Robbins Middle School					
DEMHS Region:						
	Farmington					
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Current Population:	0					
Availability:	532					
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To edit data related to an existing shelter or center, click on the "Update" button on the right side of the screen on the shelter or center.



To view the detailed information related to an existing shelter or center, click on the "Details" button on the right side of the screen on the shelter or center.

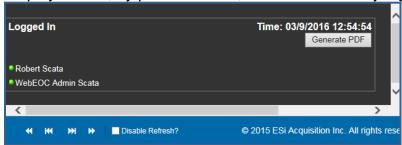


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# WebEOC Statewide Boards (Read Only)

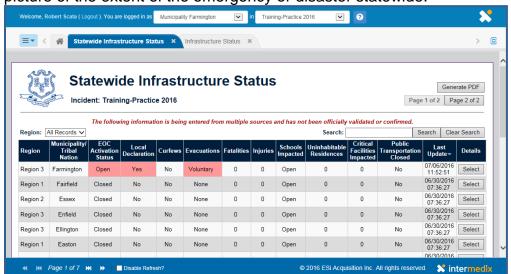
#### 10. Online Attendance Board

Displays users, by position name, which are currently logged into WebEOC.



#### 11. Statewide Infrastructure Status

This board is an at-a-glance table showing the status of every municipality's/tribal nation's infrastructure status during an emergency event. This is an easily updated informational board that will give Unified Commands a quick snapshot of local conditions across the state. The table can be sorted by any heading and the status update is a simple drop down menu choice. Update this information as often as possible. This board will be used at the State EOC to form a larger picture of the extent of the emergency or disaster statewide.



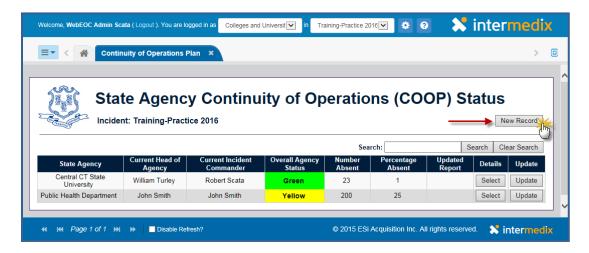
This board is an at-a-glance table showing users' reported road infrastructure status during an emergency event. This is an easy to update informational board that will give all partners, especially ESFs 1, 3, 4, 5, 12, and 13, a quick snapshot of local road conditions across the state. The table can be sorted by any heading and the status update is a simple drop down menu choice. This board follows

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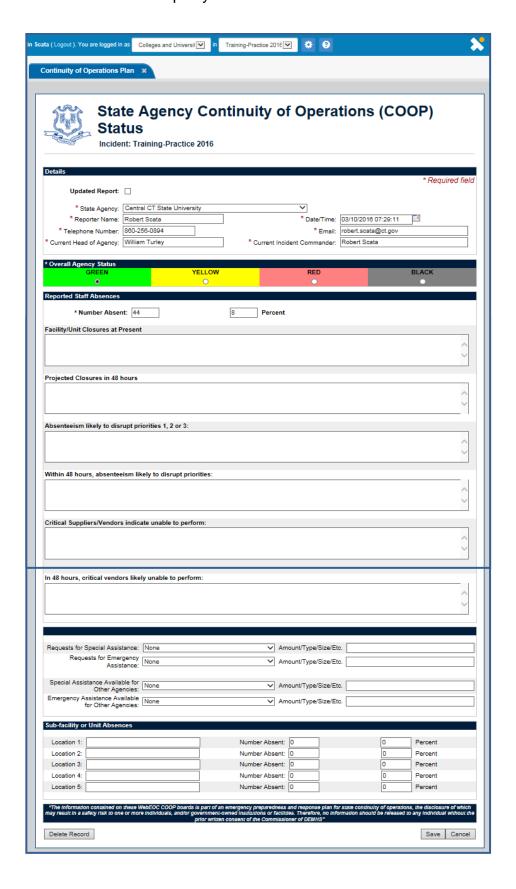
the definitions of road closures as detailed in the CT Make-Safe procedures. (See Attachment \_\_\_)

#### **State Agency Continuity of Operations (COOP) Status** 12.

State agencies log COOP reports for the DAS-BEST administration to correlate and monitor when requested. This board applies to state agencies only.



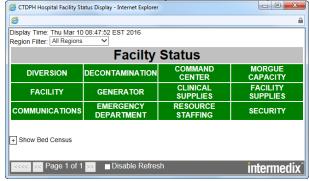
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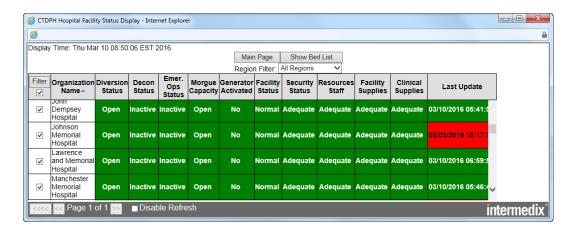
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#### 13. **CT DPH Hospital Status**

The CT DPH Hospital Status board allows WebEOC users to access information about Connecticut hospital statistics (ie. bed count, vaccination caches).



#### **Detail View**



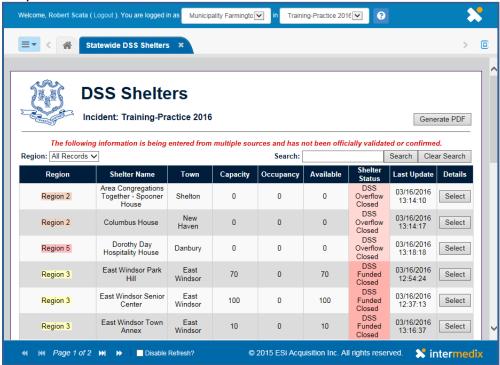
#### **Statewide Shelters and Centers** 14.

This board aggregates data from the entry board described earlier.

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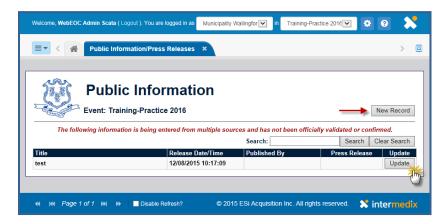
#### **15. DSS Shelters**

This shelter information is entered and updated by DSS and 211 Connecticut and is specific to DSS clientele.

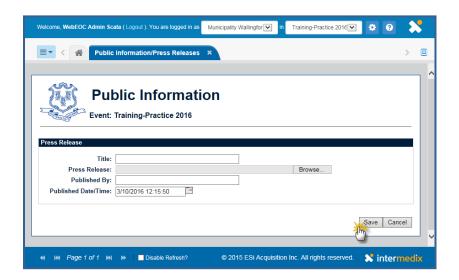


#### 16. **Public Information/Press Releases**

This Board is simply a bulletin board where State and Local Municipalities and Tribal Nations press releases are displayed. This board can be used to post a direct message and there is the option to attach files.



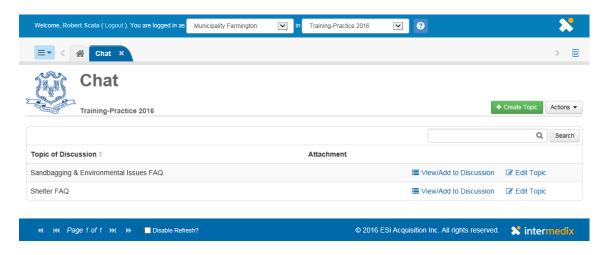
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#### 17. Chat/Chat Room

This Board is used by all users to post in a "blog/chat" format on any issues related to emergency preparedness and response. The "Create New Topic" button brings up a data entry screen where the user may note a topic name, include an attachment, and invite specific positions to the topic.

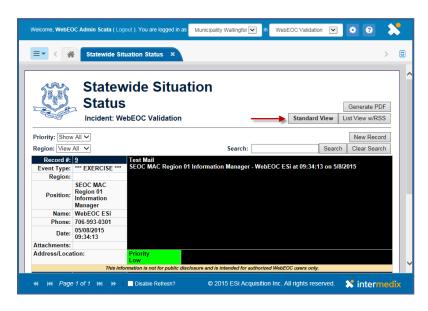
\* NOTE: All postings to this board become part of the WebEOC permanent record.



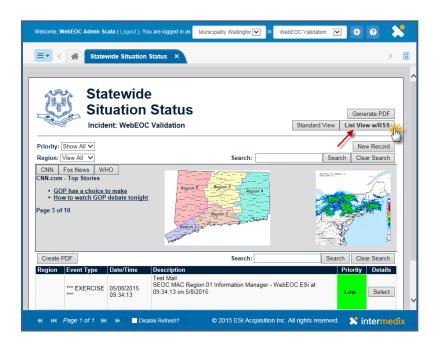
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#### 18. Statewide Situation Status

This board gives a statewide snapshot of significant events. DEMHS controls this board and accepts input from state agencies or municipalities. It is setup as a "dashboard" with the current weather, a news scroll, and any significant current events. A municipality or state agency may submit an event for posting using the data entry screen, or by checking the box in an activity log entry. DEMHS will be automatically notified that a new entry exists and staff will review the entry for possible posting.



#### List View with RSS Feeds



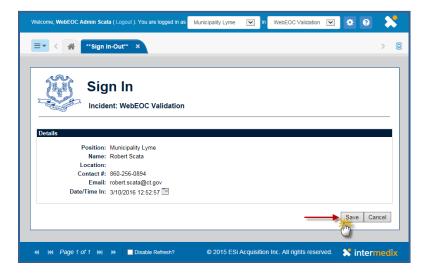
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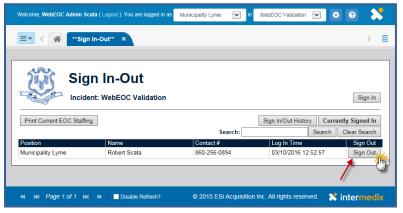
## **TOOLS**

# **Sign In-Out (Mobilization and Demobilization)**

## Used to track EOC attendance



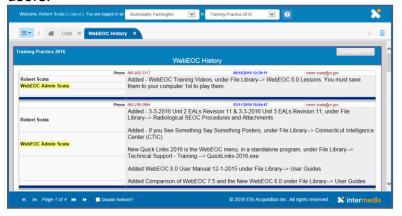




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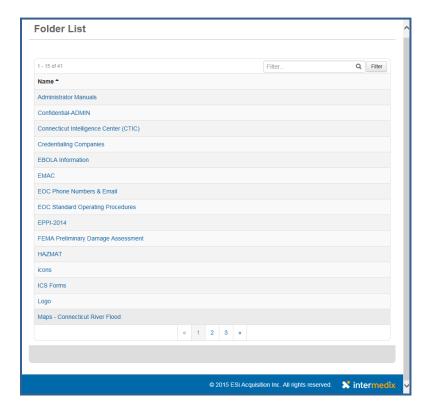
# **WebEOC History Board**

This board provides a description of any changes that happen within WebEOC for users.



# **File Library Board**

This board is where WebEOC users will find helpful documents by category. Hazardspecific procedures and the credentialing ID library can be found here.



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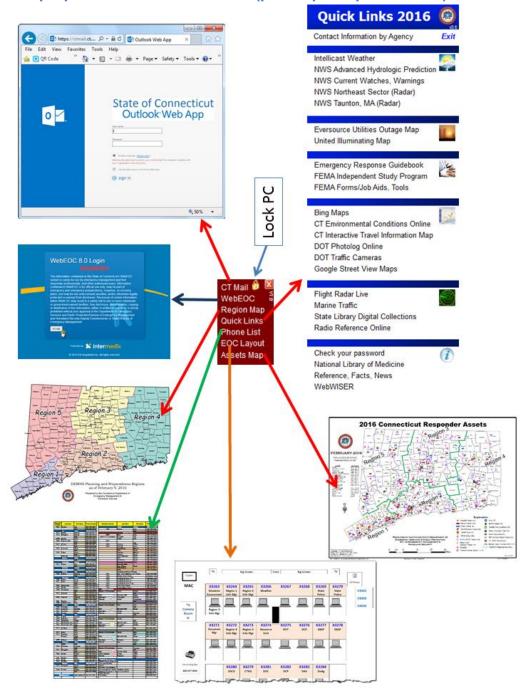
## Appendix A.

## **Important Notes**

Be sure to click SAVE at the end of each data entry screen.

Report numbers: On some boards, there is a unique identifying or tracking number for each entry in the dashboard view. This number is not sequential, but it identifies each unique report so that it is distinguished from other entries.

## SEOC/State Laptops Quick Link Reference (power point procedures)



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